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OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF GERMANY TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Acting Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General and, with reference to his note of 28 January 1992, has the honour to inform him of the following measures taken by the German Government to implement Security Council resolution 733 (1992).

In fulfilment of the general and complete embargo on all deliveries of weapons and military equipment mandated by paragraph 5 of resolution 733 (1992), export licences for weapons, military goods or other equipment intended for use in arms production or for installation in weapons are no longer granted. Any applications for export licences will be declined without further examination.

As regards paragraph 6 of resolution 733 (1992), the Political Committee of the European Community (EC) decided already on 15 January 1992, upon a proposal by the German Government, that the EC member States would support all current mediation efforts and that the Presidency of EC would promise the United Nations, the League of Arab States (LAS) and the Organization of African Unity (OAU) any possible support for peace efforts in the Somalia conflict. A meeting of the Presidency of EC with the Secretary-General of LAS has taken place in Cairo to this end.

Regarding paragraph 9 of resolution 733 (1992), which calls for humanitarian assistance, the German Government made available to the German Red Cross and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) 6.4 million German marks and to the non-governmental organization (NGO) "Komitee Cap Anamur" 2.3 million marks for the distribution of food to the suffering population of Somalia in 1991. In addition, the German Government financed humanitarian aid programmes of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), ICRC and German NGOs for the amount of 2.1 million marks.

The German Government has also contributed significantly to an aid package provided by EC in 1991 for the amount of 6 million European currency units (ECU), which, among others, was earmarked for a demining project in Hargeisa, the hospital in Berbera and for medical supplies for the population of Erigavo in northern Somalia. The Commission of the European Communities is preparing an aid package for Somalia for 1992 for the amount of 26 million ECU.

The German Government is ready to continue in 1992, to the extent possible, its humanitarian and food aid for the suffering people of Somalia through NGOs.